RESPONSE

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect group I claims 1-9 and 16-23 with traverse with respect to Group II. Group II is also directed to a microcombustor and could be examined without unduly extending the search or burdening the Examiner. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that Group II be examined along with Group I.

If the Examiner has any questions or would like to speak to Applicants' representative, the Examiner is encouraged to call Applicants' attorney at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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